device, the transfer command specifying a memory box in accordance with the box number and instructing transfer of the first image data stored in the specified memory box to a calling side;

a judgement device for judging whether or not the memory box specified by

the transfer command using the box number detected by the detection device is effective; and an image transfer device for transferring the first image data stored in the specified memory box to the calling side when the judgement device judges that the memory box specified by the transfer command is effective, and alternatively for transferring second image data different from the first image data to the calling side when the judgement device judges that the memory box specified by the transfer command is ineffective;

wherein the memory box includes plurality of confidential boxes and bulletin board boxes, and

wherein each of the confidential boxes is accompanied with the box number and an identification number, and each of the bulletin board boxes is accompanied with only the box number.

6. (Amended) The facsimile device according to claim 1, wherein the transfer command includes information of the box number and the identification number corresponding to the confidential box and a telephone number of the calling side, and information of the box number corresponding to the bulletin board box and a telephone number of the calling side.

12. (Amended) The facsimile device according to claim 1, wherein the second image data is image data indicating an operation manual.

19. (Amended) The facsimile device according to claim 15, wherein the transfer command includes information of the box number and the identification number corresponding to the confidential box and a telephone number of the calling side, and

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